



PATENT
Docket No.: 36409-01000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Masayuki YAMADA & Yasuhiro KOMORI
Serial No. : 09/818,886 **Group Art Unit** : 2655
Filed : March 27, 2001 **Examiner** : Smits
For : ***SPEECH SYNTHESIZING METHOD AND APPARATUS USING
PROSODY CONTROL (as amended)***

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

On September 10, 2004, the Examiner mailed a Notice of Allowance in this case.
Please enter this Preliminary Amendment and continue examination as to the amended and new claims herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.